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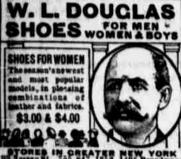
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MANY BILLS ARE READY.

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City Legislators Stand in forwarding legislation looking to first step in the completion of the Evening World's campaign to shed light on the taxation situation.

Bills have been prepared or are in been introduced in the Legislature which, if passed, will take more than \$10,000,000 off the New York City budget and reduce the tax rate 12 14 points. As the Evening World bas pointed out there is no necessity for a direct tax this year, and the elimination of the direct tax, which cost ALBANY, Jan. 27.-Mayor Mitchel's the city more than \$13,000,000 last year, will result in the subtraction of 17 % points from the tax rate of 1915.

Other legislation, which is still in nebulous form and is to be brought before the Senate and the Assembly by the Brown Committee, should resuit in further reductions in the city tax rate. But this cannot be brought ACKER, MERRALL & CONDIT about unless the members of the Logabout unless the members of the Leg the Civic Associations of the city; the press and the public generally,

the press and the public generally, units in support of Mayor Mitchel's campaign.

PLAN FOR RELIEF CALLS FOR NON-PARTISAN SUPPORT.

The support of the Tammany logislators has already been piedged by Senator Wagner and Assemblyman Callahan, the minority leaders. The Republican legislators, many of whom in the past have put their party allegiance above the interests of their home city, will have a chance to come to the front when they meet the Mayor. Republican support of measures of rollef for the taxpayers of the greater city has already been promised by Senator Elon R. Brown of Watertown, Chairman of the joint legislative committee appointed to investigate the financial condition of the city, but up-State Republican support committee appointed to investigate the financial condition of the city, but up-State Republican support of measures of racres of land in the counties are of screet of land in the counties in which the taxes are assembly man legislative committee appointed to the city of New York would not be assessed. Should this bill pass the city could consolidate its scattered the State pays to these remote communities. It is a just bill, as a measure of relief for the city, will have a chance to come to the front when they meet the Mayor. Republican support of measures of racres of land in the counties are assented to the city this process of land in the counties are assented to the tax pays to these remote communities as a measure of relief for the city, will have a chance to come to fine the property within the city of New York is exempt from taxation.

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Mayor Mitchel's move to unite the legislators, civio bodies, press and public generally in a campaign here in Albany for relief from taxation burdens in New York City calls for non-partisary support. The Evening World

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legislators from up-State cities, that they have come to see the interests of their communities with respect to State taxation are tied up with the interests of the city which contains more than half the population of the State. For the first time in the history of the State of New York there is a prospect of harmonious action for the furtherance of legislation which will tend to equalize the taxation burden.

Without the intelligent and connuous support of the City Administration and the minority leaders of the Legislature the educational campaign which The Evening World inthe relief of city taxpayers, is the augurated last fall could not have given, at this time, such encouraging promise of achieving results. With the help promised by Senator Brown and legislative representatives of up-State cities and united action on the rocess of preparation, and some have part of all agencies in the city of New

and the State at large is already under way. The following bills will shortly be taken out of committee and put before the Legislature for dis-

A bill introduced by Assemblyman Joseph D. Kelly of the Twelfth District, Manhattan, providing for a repeal of the law which requires the State to pay local taxes on wild lands in the Adriondacks. Under the law as it stands the State pays practically all the taxes of many mountain com-

the regulative function of the com-mission is a State function and is paid for by the State in the Second District, embracing the State outside New York City.

Another bill is to be introduced along the same line to place the em-ployees and payroll of the Public Service Commission under the State in so far as they are engaged in super-visory work in connection with the subway extensions. The Bloch bill,

if passed, will take close to \$900,000 a year from the city's budget. Approximately that sum is paid now by the city for work which is done for the State. This reduction would wipe three-fourths of a point from the tax rate.

GREAT SAVING IN END OF WATER SUPPLY BOARD. Other bills already drawn or in the

hands of the draughting experts of the Legislature are as follows:

A bill to abolish the present Board of Water Supply and permit the Mayor to appoint, instead, a commissioner, to have charge of all matters now under the jurisdiction of that board. This bill follows The Evening World's idea of wiping out a body which has performed its labors. The saving should amount to \$400,000 on administrative expenses. Under the provisions of the bill the Board of Estimate is to have the powers of provisions of the bill the Board of Estimate is to have the powers of initiative and supervision, now exer-cised by the Board of Water Supply, and it will be up to the Board of Estimate to say whether the Schoharie extension scheme, intended to store a water supply which will not be need-ed for at least fifteen years, shall be

State cities and united action on the part of all agencies in the city of New York interested in public welfare the results should materialize.

MANY BILLS NEARLY READY FOR DISCUSSION IN OPEN.

The campaign to bring about a condition under which the city of New York shall not be taxed to the extent of millions of dollars every year for the expenses of other communities and the State at large is already unamounts to over \$700,000 a year.

of roads in villages and towns amounts to over \$700,000 a year.

A bill creating a new city department to take over, generally speaking, the control and maintenance of all public buildings and bridges.

The Evening World has maintained that by abolishing the Department of Bridges, and giving control of The Evening World has maintained that by abolishing the Department of Bridges, and giving control of the bridges to the Borough Presidents, the greater part of the engineering and administrative expenses of the Bridge Department would be eliminated.

Bills giving the City of New York a greater measure of home rule are in the hands of Senator Cromwell of Staten Island. The Evening World has pointed out that under authority conferred by the Cromwell bills the city could consolidate its scattered

revenue and reduce the tax rate 11-4 points.

A bill to allow the city to retain the tax on stock transfers objected within the city. If the State should agree to this the city's revenue would be increased \$4,000,000 a year on an average. The loss of revenue to the State could be made up by an amendment to the Inheritance Tax Law. Should the city be given the \$4,000,000 a year for taxes on stock transactions, occurring solely because of the opportunities offered by the city, five points would be clipped off the tax rate.

A bill to be introduced by Senator Wagner providing for a change in the administration of the Sinking Fund. Under the present system more of the State's revenue than is required is diverted annually to the Sinking Fund

diverted annually to the Sinking Fund to ratire bonds. Senator Wagner believes his bill would release \$10,000.000 to be applied to State expenditures. Such an addition to the State's revenue would take off \$10,000,000 of State taxation and, approximately, \$7,000,000 of city taxation.

The City Administration has prepared a bill providing that the State shall appropriate \$10,000,000 out of the last authorized bond issue of \$50,000,000 for highways in New York City. There are many constitutional objections to the bill in its present form. It is likely it will give way to the measurement. tions to the bill in its present form. It is likely it will give way to the measure advocated by The Evening World, which provides that the State shall share equally with the city every year the funds appropriated for the maintenance of highways. This would give the city about \$2,000,000 a year of State funds for street repairs. Of this sum the city would contribute, by way of taxation, 70 per cent. or \$1,400,000, but the net saving to the city would be \$600,000 a year and the reduction in the tax rate would amount to three-fourths of a point.

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which Mayor Mitchel wishes to commit the legislative representatives of the city, the civic organizations, the press and the public. The legislative session is young and the plan is, of course, subject to revision, if revision be required by the recommendations of the Mills and Brown Committees, which have been studying taxation and city financing. In all its essentials, however, this programme is going before the Legislature in one form or another.

#### PANAMA LINER IN HURRICANE

The steamer Allianca of the Panama Line arrived to-day from Colon with her forward hatch broken in. The liner passed through a tropical hurricane in the Caribbean when two days out. A gigantic wave, breaking over her bow at the climax of the storm, flooded the upper decks and caused most of the damage. damage.
Lieut. H. B. Claggett of the Tenth Infantry, who arrived on the Allianca, has been stationed for months at Camp Otis, in the centre of the Canal Zone. His health falling recently, he decided a change of climate would brace him up.

Schoolboy Killed by Wagon. Schoolboy Killed by Wagon.
Jerome Mayer, ten years old, of No.
64 East One Hundred and Sixteenth Street, stepped from the curb at One Hundred and Tenth Street and Third Avenue on his way to school this morning and was run over by an express wason driven by Morris Sollowitz of No.
165 East One Hundred and Tenth Street. The boy died before the arrival of Dr. Jenninss and an ambulance from Harlem Hospital. Sollowitz was arrested on a charge of homiolds.

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SEEK VANISHED HEIRESS AT FLORIDA RESORTS

Miss McLaughlin, Believed to Have Eloped, Didn't Know Own Mind, Aunt Says.

Miss Grace McLaughlin, who, after he death of her father, former Deputy Police Chief Patrick H. McLaughlin, came into control of a \$250,000 estate ind who, it is believed, cloped on Dec.

9 with George M. Stevens, manager of Harlem garage, is being sought by private detectives in winter resorts along the Florida coast.

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Although Miss McLaughlin was twenty-six years old yesterday, her aunt and guardian, Mra. Katherine Ingles of No. 4 West One Hundred and Twenty-ninth Street, insists Grace "did not know her own mind" when she left home.

"It was not until last Oct. 17 that Mrs. Stevens got a divorce," Mrs. lingles said to-day. "The decree was signed in Springfield, Masse. Under it Stevens is not free to marry again, I understand, until April 17. I can only account for Grace's action by the fact that she is inexperienced."



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